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In re Application of
Daniel M. Joffe et al
Application No. 09/527,162
Filed: March 17, 2000
Attorney Docket No. N-4717

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 9, 2002, to revive the above-identified application.


The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (Notice) mailed May 24, 2000. The Notice set a period for reply of two (2) months from the mail date of the Notice. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on July 25, 2000.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$920 extension of time submitted with the petition on January 7, 2002 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Wan Laymon at (703) 305-9282.

The application file is being forwarded to Initial Patent Examination Division for further preexamination processing.


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